STATE of WISCONSIN



WHEREAS; Wisconsin's Youth Apprenticeship program is a part of a statewide School-to-Work initiative designed for high school students who want hands on learning in an occupational area at a worksite along with classroom instruction; and

WHEREAS; Wisconsin's Youth Apprenticeship program is popular with students, parents, and employers as it provides high school juniors and seniors with a school-to-work experience, an opportunity to explore career options while earning a wage, and a chance to gain work experience; and

WHEREAS; funding for the Youth Apprenticeship program has more than doubled since 2012, from \$1.6 million to \$3.9 million in 2018, while enrollment for the 2017-18 school year reached an all-time high, with 4,366 youths from 366 schools working at 2,568 businesses; and

WHEREAS; the statewide Apprenticeship Advisory Committee has successfully "bridged" many Youth and Registered Apprenticeship program curricula, allowing students to earn credit toward their registered apprenticeship while still in high school and seamlessly move from a Youth to a Registered Apprenticeship that has increased eight-fold in number of successful bridges since 2016; and

WHEREAS; on September 28th, the State of Wisconsin will celebrate and promote the expansion of youth apprenticeship which will provide even more students the ability to gain relevant work experiences prior to graduation, strengthening our future workforce;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Walker, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim September 28, 2018 as

YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 21st day of September 2018.

SCOTT WALKER GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State